

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO  
ALBUQUERQUE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	CASE NO: 1:19-CR-03113-JB-9
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Plaintiff,	)	CRIMINAL
	)	
vs.	)	Albuquerque, New Mexico
	)	
AMANDA SILVA,	)	Tuesday, November 5, 2019
	)	(11:07 a.m. to 11:16 a.m.)
Defendant.	)	( 4:01 p.m. to 4:26 p.m.)

MOTION HEARING

BEFORE THE HONORABLE KAREN B. MOLZEN,  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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1      **Albuquerque, New Mexico; Tuesday, November 5, 2019; 11:07 a.m.**

2 | (Call to Order)

7                   **MR. HOUGHTON:** Good morning, your Honor, Kristopher  
8 Houghton on behalf of the United States.

9 THE COURT: Thank you.

10                           **MR. FISHER:** Your Honor, Charles Fisher on behalf of  
11 Amanda Silva.

12                   **THE COURT:** All right. Well, I have had an  
13 opportunity to read the motion and the response. The response  
14 raises a few good questions for me because --

15 MR. FISHER: Yes.

16 THE COURT: -- what statute are you under?

17 MR. FISHER: Your --

18                   **THE COURT:** As far -- what -- you're asking for  
19 reconsideration. Is that --

20                   **MR. FISHER:** I am asking for reconsideration and,  
21 your Honor, what we would like to do, if we may, is I would  
22 like to have her re-interviewed again by Mr. Stewart so that  
23 she can hopefully -- I know she was uncooperative on the last  
24 occasion and I fully accept that. But I -- at the moment, we  
25 would like to have her re-interviewed again so that she can

1 hopefully be far more cooperative than she was on the previous  
2 interview.

3                   **THE COURT:** Well, what kind of guarantees do I have?  
4 Because I don't want to waste Mr. Stewart's time.

5                   **MR. FISHER:** No. And I already -- that's why I would  
6 like very much to have her re-interviewed again so that she can  
7 make a case for herself to actually be released from custody,  
8 your Honor. And that's what we would like to do.

9                   **THE COURT:** All right. Mr. Houghton, I have read  
10 your response and it does raise some significant issues as far  
11 as my authority to grant you the relief you're asking for.

12                   **MR. FISHER:** Certainly.

13                   **THE COURT:** And I understand your dilemma. This is  
14 also a concern for me, however, is that this case has been  
15 declared complex which means to me that it's going to be a  
16 protracted time more than likely before this case gets to a  
17 trial.

18                   **MR. FISHER:** Yes.

19                   **THE COURT:** I think we have a conspiracy count  
20 against Ms. Silva.

21                   **MR. FISHER:** One conspiracy count, your Honor, and  
22 one possession with intent to supply.

23                   **THE COURT:** And it's a -- is it a --

24                   **MR. FISHER:** A C violation.

25                   **THE COURT:** It is a C level violation?

1                   **MR. FISHER:** Yes.

2                   **MR. HOUGHTON:** Both are C level, your Honor, and I --  
3 if the motion simply asked for leave or a request of the Court  
4 to have her re-interviewed, I don't think I would have taken a  
5 position at all because I think that's within the Court's  
6 discretion to allow somebody to be interviewed by Probation if  
7 they want to be interviewed.

8                   But the motion asks for her to be released to a third  
9 party and so that's why I responded the way I did --

10                  **THE COURT:** Okay.

11                  **MR. HOUGHTON:** -- because I think, one, there's  
12 little help for the Court or for the United States with respect  
13 to what statute are we under that grants us this review. And I  
14 think that's really the larger question I was getting at which  
15 is under 3142. The Movant has to base it on new information  
16 that was unavailable or unknown to the Movant at the time of  
17 the initial detention hearing and order. And there are no  
18 facts, at least in the motion, that are new to the Movant. I  
19 don't know whether there are facts that will be given now to  
20 the interviewer that were not available to the Movant. It's  
21 possible.

22                  So if the request is simply to have her  
23 re-interviewed, the United States leaves that up to the  
24 discretion of the Court and I think then at that point, if  
25 facts develop that seem to support either reconsideration under

1 3142 or an appeal under 3145 that the Defense can then line  
2 those out for the Court and ask in a motion for either relief.

3 **THE COURT:** Okay.

4 **MR. HOUGHTON:** And then I would have an opportunity  
5 to actually respond intelligently to help the Court in its  
6 analysis.

7 **THE COURT:** I'm looking at you, Ms. Silva, because  
8 I'm not going to waste Mr. Stewart's time. If you're  
9 cooperative -- if you're going to be disrespectful, tell me now  
10 because I'm not going to waste his time. I'm not going to  
11 waste my time. I'm not going to waste Mr. Fisher's time,  
12 Mr. Houghton's time.

13 You're in serious trouble and one reason I'm inclined  
14 to grant you the opportunity to have this interview is because  
15 sometimes people are scared and when they're faced with really  
16 understanding what serious trouble they're in, they figure out  
17 that the only way they're going to help themselves is to be  
18 cooperative.

19 I get lots of people who will come in here who have  
20 significant criminal histories with felony convictions and they  
21 know how the system works. They are generally the most polite  
22 people you're going to meet and ones who will say "your Honor"  
23 in every sentence that they talk to me because they know how  
24 the system works.

25 I looked at your record and I didn't see any felony

1 convictions. So I'm thinking that maybe you didn't understand  
2 at that time the trouble that you were in and what it's going  
3 to take to cooperate with Mr. Stewart. Are you willing to do  
4 that?

5 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, your Honor.

6 **THE COURT:** You will treat him with respect. You  
7 will treat me with respect. You will treat your counsel with  
8 respect at all times.

9 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, your Honor.

10 **THE COURT:** If you can't do that, then there's no way  
11 I can release you. Do you understand that?

12 **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, your Honor.

13 **THE COURT:** Now, that's not a promise to release you.  
14 All I'm going to do is I'm going to see how cooperative you are  
15 and what information he can gather to better inform me. So I'm  
16 going to have you be interviewed today.

17 Are you willing to do that, Mr. Stewart?

18 **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** I am, your  
19 Honor.

20 **THE COURT:** Okay. I'm trying to decide when we could  
21 hold this hearing.

22 How much time do you need, Mr. Stewart? Well, I  
23 guess it's going to depend upon the information she gives you.

24 **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** That's  
25 correct, your Honor. I don't know if the Court's inclined to

1 have the hearing this afternoon. I have the criminal history  
2 already computed. If we're able to do an interview, I guess it  
3 depends if there's potential third parties. We may or may not  
4 be able to get that but if I'm able to get the information, I  
5 could probably file the report today. I am going to be out of  
6 town tomorrow and the following day but someone could stand in  
7 for me in court and report the findings if the hearing is in  
8 the next couple of days.

9                   **THE COURT:** Would it be possible for you to give me  
10 an oral hearing today if you get all the information?

11                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** It would be  
12 possible, your Honor, yes.

13                   **THE COURT:** Okay. Because I would prefer to have you  
14 here for that hearing.

15                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** Yes, your  
16 Honor.

17                   **THE COURT:** Why don't we aim for 4:00 o'clock? Would  
18 that work?

19                   **MR. FISHER:** Yes.

20                   **THE COURT:** How about for you, Mr. Houghton?

21                   **MR. HOUGHTON:** I think so, your Honor. If you could  
22 just give me a moment to check --

23                   **THE COURT:** Sure.

24                   **MR. HOUGHTON:** -- my schedule. I'll be here, your  
25 Honor.

1                   **THE COURT:** All right. If we get all the information  
2 we need, get the verification, we'll see you back here at 4:00  
3 o'clock.

4                   Anything else, Mr. Houghton?

5                   **MR. HOUGHTON:** No, your Honor, thank you.

6                   **THE COURT:** Mr. Fisher?

7                   **MR. FISHER:** Your Honor, I will participate, too,  
8 with --

9                   **THE COURT:** Remind her if she needs a reminder. All  
10 right.

11                  We'll be in recess.

12                  (A recess is taken from 11:16 a.m. to 4:01 p.m.)

13                  **THE COURT:** We're back in court now on *United States*  
14 *of America versus Amanda Silva* and that's in Cause Number  
15 19-CR-3113 JB. Counsel, if you'd please enter your appearance.

16                  **MR. HOUGHTON:** Good afternoon, your Honor, Kristopher  
17 Houghton on behalf of the United States.

18                  **THE COURT:** Thank you.

19                  **MR. FISHER:** Good afternoon, your Honor, Charles  
20 Fisher on behalf of Amanda Silva.

21                  **THE COURT:** Very good.

22                  I just received the new bond report that was prepared  
23 by Mr. Stewart. And he does still continue to believe that she  
24 should remain in custody until the time of trial.

25                  Mr. Fisher?

1                   **MR. FISHER:** Your Honor, I have spent considerable  
2 time with my client and as a result of that, she -- I -- what  
3 we would ask to have happen would be to have her released to  
4 the third-party custody of her mother. Your Honor, she has --  
5 there is very little criminal history at the moment. And I  
6 know this is a complex case and I know that this is one we are  
7 probably going to spend a considerable amount of time reviewing  
8 all of the discovery.

9                   But under the circumstances, I would certainly ask  
10 the Court to consider releasing her to the third-party custody  
11 of her mother. She is not, I think -- from my perspective, I  
12 don't think she is actually a danger to the community at all  
13 and I would be -- I would certainly appreciate it if the Court  
14 would consider the idea of releasing her to the third-party  
15 custody of her mother with all the conditions that need to be  
16 applied for that purpose.

17                  **THE COURT:** Okay. Did -- going to Mr. Houghton's  
18 argument in his motion --

19                  **MR. FISHER:** Yes, your Honor.

20                  **THE COURT:** -- can you identify for me what would be  
21 new that was not known by Ms. Silva at the time of the first  
22 interview?

23                  **MR. FISHER:** Your Honor, she, I know, was very  
24 uncooperative with the first interview. She has -- since that  
25 time has been completely cooperative with the interview that

1 was conducted by Mr. Stewart and in the context of that, we  
2 would urge the Court to consider the idea of releasing her to  
3 the third-party custody of her mother so that she could  
4 actually be with her children and spend time with them.

5                   And also under the circumstances, what we would like  
6 to have happen would be to actually have her released to the  
7 third-party custody of her mother and also she will comply with  
8 any conditions that are set for her for -- in order to be able  
9 to have time with her family, have time working, have time with  
10 any form -- she will submit to any drug tests that she needs to  
11 submit to. And that's what I would ask the Court to consider.

12                  **THE COURT:** All right. Mr. Houghton?

13                  **MR. HOUGHTON:** Your Honor, I think the answer there  
14 to your question is that there is no information that's new  
15 that was unknown to the Movant at the time of the original  
16 detention hearing.

17                  **THE COURT:** What about -- at least from my  
18 perspective, I now have a verifiable, appropriate third-party  
19 custodian who does not reside in Las Vegas. To me, that is  
20 some new information. So I am going to go on ahead and  
21 consider this.

22                  **MR. HOUGHTON:** And the only thing I have to say about  
23 that, your Honor, is I think if you look at the Statutory Text  
24 3142(f) that I cited in the brief, it's not -- what's required  
25 is not information that's new to the Court. What's required is

1 information that was not known to the Movant at the time of the  
2 detention hearing. So it's more narrow than that and I think  
3 that's the express text of 3142(f) that the *Cisneros* case  
4 cites.

5 **THE COURT:** Well, she just moved -- it says here that  
6 she's only resided in Santa Rosa, New Mexico for five days. I  
7 know a big concern of mine at the time I even looked at her  
8 first report was I was not interested in anything in Las Vegas  
9 for Ms. Silva. I don't think that's where she should be at  
10 this point. So I understand your argument, Mr. Houghton.

11 **MR. HOUGHTON:** Sure. The other requirement of the  
12 information, if the Court views it as information unknown to  
13 the Movant at the time, the fact that five days ago her mother  
14 moved to Santa Rosa is that the information must be material.  
15 And I hear what the Court's saying that one of the Court's  
16 primary concerns was a release back to Las Vegas. So if I  
17 could turn to the merits --

18 **THE COURT:** Yes, sir.

19 **MR. HOUGHTON:** -- I would like to tell the Court what  
20 I think on detention.

21 **THE COURT:** Can you remind me of a few things  
22 though --

23 **MR. HOUGHTON:** Sure.

24 **THE COURT:** -- about the previous hearing? As I  
25 recall, there was -- I had some concerns because there were

1 firearms that were located in the home when she was arrested.

2 Is that right?

3 **MR. HOUGHTON:** That's correct, your Honor. There  
4 were firearms.

5 **THE COURT:** How many firearms were there?

6 **MR. HOUGHTON:** I don't have the exact number but it  
7 was quite a few firearms as I understand it and Ms. Silva told  
8 the agents that in addition to those firearms, the firearms  
9 that were located at Luis Sanchez's house where she was  
10 arrested, she claimed all those firearms as well. And so with  
11 the answer to that, I'd like to turn back which I think is the  
12 Court's first question. Is the rebuttable presumption in play?  
13 It is. This is a drug crime with -- that carries a penalty of  
14 over ten years.

15 And so the presumption is that no conditions will  
16 reasonably assure the appearance of the Defendant or the safety  
17 of the community. Even if the Court finds that some evidence  
18 is presented -- has been presented to overcome the presumption,  
19 the Court knows that it remains a factor. So that's the  
20 starting point.

21 I disagree with Mr. Fisher about the complete lack of  
22 criminal history. There is criminal history that goes back  
23 quite a ways, including trafficking controlled substances. So  
24 this is something that -- this is a game that Ms. Silva has  
25 participated in for quite some time. The first, which is a

1 juvenile case, is 2002, trafficking controlled substances, to  
2 wit, crack cocaine.

3 If the Court recalls the affidavit that was presented  
4 in this case and also the record at the previous detention  
5 hearings, the controlled substance Ms. Silva has been charged  
6 with is cocaine. And so it's -- that behavior has not stopped  
7 since 2002. This has been a continuing theme for Ms. Silva and  
8 her involvement with trafficking controlled substances.

9 **THE COURT:** Well, now I see -- I do see the 2002  
10 juvenile whatever you'd call it case. I -- the second one I  
11 see was 2011, trafficking a controlled substance but --

12 **MR. HOUGHTON:** Which was dismissed.

13 **MR. FISHER:** It was dismissed.

14 **MR. HOUGHTON:** The 2013 one, possession of a  
15 controlled substance, also dismissed and then there is a 2016  
16 battery on a household member and criminal damage to property  
17 that did result in a guilty plea and then the latest permitting  
18 an unauthorized minor to drive.

19 What I can tell the Court by proffer is that  
20 Ms. Silva was intercepted speaking with Robert Padilla over  
21 Robert Padilla's line and it was clear that Ms. Silva was a  
22 distributor. It was clear based on those communications that  
23 it was multi-substances but including cocaine. There was a  
24 call in which they discussed supplying her and her supplying  
25 other people presumably in the Las Vegas area and there was

1 also a call where she was making preparations for a party at  
2 which Mr. Padilla was going to be at in Las Vegas.

3 All of that is to say that this isn't a case that the  
4 Court sometimes sees where someone is down on their luck and  
5 they agree to transport some controlled substances. It's  
6 abhorrent behavior. This is purposeful behavior over a period  
7 of time.

8 **THE COURT:** What did -- that call that was recorded,  
9 when was that? I mean just rough --

10 **MR. HOUGHTON:** I believe it was November of 2018,  
11 your Honor. And then there was a buy which is Count Fourteen  
12 that's charged against Ms. Silva that occurred sometime in the  
13 spring at which she was an occupant in the vehicle and a  
14 participant in that deal with Mr. Padilla that law enforcement  
15 documented both by recording -- audio recording as well as  
16 surveillance and then later obtained the substance from the  
17 person who purchased from them and tested the substance and it  
18 was cocaine.

19 **THE COURT:** Was it a controlled buy?

20 **MR. HOUGHTON:** Yes, your Honor, it was a controlled  
21 buy.

22 And so all of that is to say that --

23 **THE COURT:** Well, that is weight of evidence, a  
24 different --

25 **MR. HOUGHTON:** All of that goes to the weight of the

1 evidence, your Honor, and also underscores that this is not  
2 abhorrent behavior, that this is someone who has been engaged  
3 in criminal behavior for a long time.

4 If the Court notices on the Probation officer's  
5 report, there's a discussion about Jeremy Vasquez. The Court  
6 may recall from an affidavit that Bryan Acee presented to the  
7 Court a discussion of some of the murders that happened in Las  
8 Vegas this last summer, one of which was Mr. Vasquez.  
9 Ms. Silva was, I believe, according the Probation officer's  
10 report, Mr. Vasquez's wife at the time.

11 And in addition to having a relationship with a  
12 person who's been identified as an SNM member and being in  
13 those sort of volatile circumstances, there's also evidence  
14 that she was in a romantic relationship with Luis Sanchez who  
15 the Court also knows is a Co-defendant in this case. His  
16 nickname is Paeoso (phonetic). Ms. Silva was arrested outside  
17 of his residence where this trove of guns were found but the  
18 Court may recall about Mr. Sanchez being involved in a shooting  
19 this summer as well as being intercepted over Mr. Padilla's  
20 wiretapped phone.

21 All of that is to say that Ms. Silva appears to be  
22 making decisions about the people she's involving in her life  
23 and to be involved in these volatile situations, I think, which  
24 is underscored by these times of her brushes with the law but  
25 also the case that we've charged here which I think is really

1 at the heart of what the Probation officer and the United  
2 States is concerned about if Ms. Silva is released, is that  
3 she's just going to return back to this life that she's been  
4 leading for some time.

5 **THE COURT:** I think that was part of my consideration  
6 in not wanting her to go back to Las Vegas definitely with  
7 the loss of her husband and everything else and those  
8 relationships. I mean, one of the -- if I were to release her,  
9 one of the conditions would be no contact at all directly or  
10 indirectly. I've already had to revoke conditions on one  
11 person because they violated that condition.

12 I'm torn in this case. I am, in part because this is  
13 different from anything she's ever faced in her life. She's  
14 now in Federal court and she's finding out it's a whole lot  
15 different than State court. The penalties are much more  
16 significant.

17 **MR. HOUGHTON:** Yes, your Honor.

18 **THE COURT:** I do take into account the weight of the  
19 evidence and I have concerns. When you start talking about all  
20 those guns out there that she'd have to absolutely understand,  
21 no weapons --

22 **MR. HOUGHTON:** Yes, your Honor.

23 **THE COURT:** -- at all.

24 Mr. Stewart, how -- in your discussions today, was  
25 she respectful towards you?

1                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** Your Honor,  
2 she was completely respectful.

3                   **THE COURT:** All right. Did you find her willing to  
4 provide you with the information that you requested?

5                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** I did, your  
6 Honor.

7                   **THE COURT:** I'm hoping that this is the wake-up call  
8 for her. My concern is that I do think this case is going to  
9 be protracted.

10                  **MR. FISHER:** Absolutely, it is.

11                  **THE COURT:** I don't see any felony convictions.

12                  **MR. FISHER:** No, your Honor, no felony convictions.

13                  **THE COURT:** You haven't yet checked out the mom's  
14 home, have you?

15                  **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** Your Honor,  
16 we haven't. I did speak with her. I got a brief rundown.  
17 She's new to that area. It sounded like an apartment. The  
18 youngest child is also living there with her. That's about as  
19 much information as I did get. We would recommend that if the  
20 Court would be looking to consider this residence as the  
21 release residence that we allow the Santa Fe office the  
22 opportunity to check the residence and make sure it's suitable.  
23 But we did find the mother, in the event that the Court orders  
24 her to be, would be a suitable third party.

25                  **THE COURT:** Okay. What about -- is there a waiting

1 list -- this is what I'm going to ask. Is there a waiting list  
2 at the halfway house at this point?

3 **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** Currently --  
4 I believe the most current information is she would be the next  
5 person in line to go to the halfway house. So they're  
6 currently at full capacity but as soon as one female leaves,  
7 there would be a space there.

8 **THE COURT:** This is what I'm thinking right now and  
9 it's not written in stone, is placing her at the halfway house  
10 to give you the opportunity to make sure the home is there.

11 Ms. Silva, I'm looking at you and hoping that this is  
12 your wake-up call. When I set a condition for you, I'm doing  
13 it because there is a presumption that there are no conditions.  
14 I'm trying to find conditions that will make it so I feel  
15 confident you're not going to violate any of them and that if  
16 you keep in compliance with them, you're going to come back to  
17 all future court proceedings and that you're going to walk the  
18 line and not be dangerous to the community at all, that you're  
19 not going to use drugs, that you're not going to sell drugs,  
20 that you're not going to be in any way involved with firearms  
21 or dangerous weapons, that you're going to stay away from gang  
22 members, that you're not going to have any contact at all,  
23 directly or indirectly, with any of your Co-defendants, anyone  
24 who could be a witness in this case.

25 Do you understand that?

1                   **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, your Honor.

2                   **THE COURT:** And because of your change in attitude,  
3 I'm hoping that's the case.

4                   What I'm thinking, Mr., Houghton, is placing her at  
5 the halfway house, getting it all checked out and upon  
6 verification by Mr. Stewart -- and this is hard for me because  
7 Mr. Stewart is an excellent Supervising Pretrial Services  
8 officer and he's recommended to me that you be placed in jail.

9                   I want to give her an opportunity to show me that she  
10 can abide by these conditions.

11                  Mr. Stewart, that means I'm going to depend upon you.  
12 I'm going to put zero tolerance, absolutely zero tolerance.

13                  And Mr. Fisher will tell you, when I say "zero  
14 tolerance," I mean zero tolerance.

15                  **MR. FISHER:** Yes, ma'am.

16                  **THE COURT:** So don't go saying -- and using drugs.  
17 Don't go violating anything.

18                  I'm -- Mr. Houghton, any -- I thought I'd lay out  
19 some conditions and then if you are going to appeal, you'll  
20 know. You probably would have to check though.

21                  **MR. HOUGHTON:** Yes. And it occurs to me -- I mean, I  
22 would just like the opportunity to go and discuss it with my  
23 supervisor and see if --

24                  **THE COURT:** And --

25                  **MR. HOUGHTON:** -- you know, what the position of the

1 office is on appeal but it does occur to me if the Court does  
2 want to impose these conditions that it does make sense to kind  
3 of graduate her down to release to a third party, that the  
4 mother has been at this address for just five days and it makes  
5 -- and it's pretty far away from a Probation office. And so --

6                   **THE COURT:** Santa Rosa is not -- how far is Santa  
7 Rosa? I think it's like an hour. Is it?

8                   **MR. FISHER:** Yeah.

9                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** It's  
10 actually -- it's supervised by the Santa Fe office because it's  
11 geographically it's actually closer.

12                   **THE COURT:** Yeah, I guess that's --

13                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** It's about  
14 -- by the time you drive it, it's about an hour and 40 minutes.

15                   **THE COURT:** Oh, that is pretty far. All right.

16                   **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** So treatment  
17 and testing is a little bit of an issue. Moriarty is generally  
18 where folks will have to drive to. So transportation will be a  
19 necessity to get back and forth. There are some logistical  
20 issues with that area but it would be the Santa Fe office.

21                   **THE COURT:** This is what I'm planning on, is although  
22 I find you to be a flight risk and a danger, I do believe that  
23 these conditions will be appropriate right now to address my  
24 concerns. I would place her at the halfway house. You would  
25 be required to follow -- in fact, I'm going to do that. I'm

1 going to --

2 (Audio sound heard in courtroom)

3 THE COURT: That's a strange sound.

4 Okay. I'm going to place you at the halfway house  
5 and you're to follow all of their program rules and directions  
6 to you respectfully. That's one of the rules over there and  
7 I've had people with attitudes be revoked within a day because  
8 they don't put up with that stuff. So I'm going to place you  
9 there. That's where you're to reside until further order of  
10 the Court.

11 You are not to be in possession of a firearm or any  
12 other dangerous weapon. I'm going to require you to have no  
13 contact at all, directly or through someone else, with any  
14 Co-defendant or witness in this case or any gang member. Do  
15 you understand that?

16 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Okay. Your travel is restricted to  
18 Bernalillo County. You're going to be subject to random drug  
19 and alcohol testing and treatment in the discretion of Pretrial  
20 Services. I'm also going to authorize an evaluation for  
21 substance abuse and whether or not treatment should be  
22 required.

23 Do you have a passport?

24 THE DEFENDANT: No, your Honor.

25 THE COURT: Okay. You're not to try and get a new

1 one or a visa or anything like that during the pendency of  
2 these proceedings.

3 I don't contemplate this being long-term but I think  
4 that it might be good for you to get a job or some kind of  
5 education and I think that is required over at the halfway  
6 house. Is that right, Mr. Stewart?

7 **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** They  
8 generally like folks to work in that direction, your Honor,  
9 either community service, employment or something along those  
10 lines.

11 **THE COURT:** Something to keep you occupied and to  
12 show you what's important. Okay.

13 I'm trying to remember my other list. What are the  
14 conditions -- I usually have one of those lists with me but I  
15 don't today.

16 Mr. Stewart, what other conditions?

17 **U.S. PRETRIAL SERVICES OFFICER STEWART:** Your Honor,  
18 I think you addressed all the conditions that we would have  
19 recommended. I would prefer a recommendation for conditions  
20 that mean she get medical or psychiatric treatment just for  
21 evaluation in that area.

22 **THE COURT:** You know, I -- you've been through a  
23 pretty traumatic event and it seems to me that might be  
24 helpful. So let's get you an evaluation mental-health-wise to  
25 see -- I think there was an indication of possible depression.

1                   **MS. SPEAKER:** (indisc.)?

2                   **THE COURT:** That's okay.

3                   **MS. SPEAKER:** Okay.

4                   **THE COURT:** That's okay because I've got Mr. Stewart  
5 here.

6                   **MS. SPEAKER:** Okay.

7                   **THE COURT:** So let's do that as well. And then in  
8 the meantime, your mom -- is that your mom out there now?

9                   **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, your Honor.

10                  **THE COURT:** Would you mind coming forward, ma'am?  
11                  And you're Ms. Frances Silva?

12                  **MS. FRANCES SILVA:** Yes, ma'am.

13                  **MR. FISHER:** Frances Silva, yes.

14                  **THE COURT:** Okay. This is really important now. I'm  
15 -- you have qualified as a third-party custodian, okay? And  
16 for now I need you not to touch your daughter.

17                  **MS. FRANCES SILVA:** I'm sorry, your Honor.

18                  **THE COURT:** And that's because she's still in  
19 custody.

20                  **MS. FRANCES SILVA:** I'm sorry, your Honor.

21                  **THE COURT:** That's all right. We're going to look at  
22 placing her with you in Santa Rosa but I want to make sure that  
23 you understand you have obligations to me. And that would be  
24 that if your daughter violates any of these conditions for  
25 release, you have to go and tell Mr. Stewart. Do you

1 understand that?

2           **MS. FRANCES SILVA:** All right, your Honor.

3           **THE COURT:** I mean, you may feel really badly for her  
4 and everything else but it won't be me putting her in jail or  
5 you putting her in jail if she violates. You will be putting  
6 yourself in jail and I want you to remember that before you go  
7 and think about violating a condition. It's up to you.

8           Let's see if we can't get this going -- get it  
9 approved. Now, I do think I may have placed a few people who  
10 she may be acquainted with over at the halfway house. If you  
11 run into anybody at all that you recognize to say, "I can't  
12 talk to you." All right? Do you understand that?

13           **THE DEFENDANT:** Yes, your Honor.

14           **THE COURT:** If I get a report that you do anything  
15 more than say, "I cannot talk to you," you'll be in trouble  
16 with me because I am imposing zero tolerance. Okay.

17           All right. Do you have any questions, Ms. Silva?

18           **MS. FRANCES SILVA:** No, your Honor. Thank you very  
19 much, appreciate that.

20           **THE COURT:** Okay. Amanda, do you have any questions?

21           **THE DEFENDANT:** No, your Honor.

22           **THE COURT:** All right. Counsel, I'll give you an  
23 opportunity to consult with your office. So I'll stay this  
24 order for a day.

25           **MR. HOUGHTON:** Thank you, your Honor. I appreciate

1 that.

2 **THE COURT:** All right. Anything else, Mr. Fisher?

3 **MR. FISHER:** No, your Honor.

4 **THE COURT:** We'll be in recess.

5 **THE CLERK:** All rise.

6 (This proceeding ends at 4:26 p.m.)

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